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By \_\_\_\_\_

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of Criminal Procedure ☐ Yes ☒ No

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Reference: \_\_\_\_\_

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Description: ☐ Original notes re interview of \_\_\_\_\_FD-441 a for 1B ① sent to Lab

FD-441a (7-21-83)

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Attention: Evidence Control Custodian

Date

1-27-88

Mailed to

FBIHQ - Lab

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R434917883

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Title:

Reference: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Communication Enclosing Material)

Description: ☐ Original notes re interview of

Signed Warning & Waiver of Rights form & Interview log

## INTERROGATION; ADVICE OF RIGHTS

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b6YOUR RIGHTSPlace Date 6/17/88Time 10:03 Am

Before we ask you any questions, you must understand your rights.

You have the right to remain silent.

Anything you say can be used against you in court.

You have the right to talk to a lawyer for advice before we ask you any questions and to have a lawyer with you during questioning.

If you cannot afford a lawyer, one will be appointed for you before any questioning if you wish.

If you decide to answer questions now without a lawyer present, you will still have the right to stop answering at any time. You also have the right to stop answering at any time until you talk to a lawyer.

WAIVER OF RIGHTS

I have read this statement of my rights and I understand what my rights are. I am willing to make a statement and answer questions. I do not want a lawyer at this time. I understand and know what I am doing. No promises or threats have been made to me and no pressure or coercion of any kind has been used against me.

Signed 

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: *SA, FBI, Dallas, Texas*Time: 10:05 Am

Interview Log for [redacted] on  
June 17, 1988 at his residence in [redacted]  
Texas by SA [redacted]

9:57 AM Agent identified himself, acquainted  
himself with the residence and  
informed [redacted] nature of the interview

10:03 AM [redacted] advised of his rights

10:05 AM [redacted] Read & signed the  
rights form

10:06 AM Interview Began

10:58 AM Interview Ended

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Title:

Reference:

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Description: ☒ Original notes re interview of

[Redacted]

6/17

Vietnam

9:57pm - Arrived 10:03pm

Resident Pagan T

Honorably Discharged

Medals include Purple Heart

Dictated

feels foolish - ashamed.

Sincere - Sorry -

6/23

just relating what he heard the  
members of his Group say -

He has since been killed in an accidental  
shooting incident at Jaffar TX  
- no weapons around there

Divorced

Ex wife resides in

SON

age

with

Education -

High School

Employment - NONE

Training disability from Social  
Security  
(SSI)

POST. TRAUMATIC Stress Disorder (PTSD)  
caused from experience from Vietnam

Also: Current VA is reviewing your medical  
reports & determine if VA will  
grant disability benefits  
as a result of PTSD which has  
been diagnosed at the VA Hospital  
in Shreveport, La.

Father -

Mother -

Brother -

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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he <sup>is</sup> unable to understand why his letter is considered

Again & again, he is sorry that he wrote

letter and caused ~~lost~~ the concern ~~to~~ it her.

Did point out just

The ~~only~~ <sup>can prove and justify</sup> other ~~expose~~ can state a fact

Started here in Nov

Since last year <sup>Started in a new</sup> Mr. [redacted] has received medical treatment for PTSD & that he is now on

mediation for this problem. Again he assured his  
certainly will not write any more <sup>frustrating</sup> letters to +

Cont. of work:

ended 10:58 hrs

R provided the F-  
Description Info:

What is PTSD

Anxiety -  
Blood Pressure -  
Cannot sleep -  
Depression  
3 different kind

Vietnam Therapy Groups

Self Help Group - me 2 weeks

Complete Description + criminal History Offense -

Any other letters to Senator Beitzel or other officials? NO

Dec<sup>87</sup> letter

- ① Claim for compensation - ? OK
- ② social security - VA - ? Claimed?
- ③

Anger at VA - program &  
Congressmen not controlling VA -

④ In Group Therapy - talk about  
their feelings -

Sorry about misinterpretation of letter

Letter of criminal History

2nd letter was considered a threat

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Description: ☐ Original notes re interview of

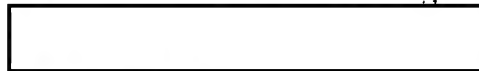
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FD 192 for 1B ①  
Evidence from 1B ①*

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Honorable Lloyd Bentsen  
U.S. Senator



961 Federal Building  
Austin Texas  
78701

Date 4/89

TO:

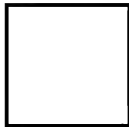
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CHECK THE ATTACHED COPY OF FD 192 & DETERMINE IF EVIDENCE IS TO BE MAINTAINED. PLEASE INITIAL & DATE IF EVIDENCE IS TO BE MAINTAINED & RETURNED TO ME. IF EVIDENCE CAN BE RETURNED TO THE OWNER OR CONTRIBUTOR, INITIAL, MARK DISPOSITION OF EVIDENCE & FURNISH NAME & ADDRESS ON LOWER PORTION OF THIS FORM.

IF EVIDENCE MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR DESTRUCTION, U.S. ATTORNEY'S APPROVAL WILL BE NEEDED AND A MEMO PLACED IN THE FILE TO THAT EFFECT. BEFORE EVIDENCE (EXCEPT DRUGS) CAN BE DESTROYED EVERY EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO RETURN EVIDENCE TO THE PROPER OWNER OF CONTRIBUTOR.

1. WEAPONS cannot be destroyed without a court order or waiver from the owner, and must be sent to Headquarters for disposal.
2. DOCUMENTS, copies and originals, should be returned to contributor but may be destroyed if requirements are met.
3. DRUGS can be destroyed but a memo from the USA is required.



*Please place letter in 1A of attached file.*

*Thanks  
SdH*

*6/30/89*

PLEASE RETURN WITH INITIAL & DATE TO

THANKS

PLEASE BE ABLE TO LOCATE EVIDENCE IN RA

SEMIANNUAL INVENTORY CERTIFICATION TO JUSTIFY RETENTION OF PROPERTY (Initial and Date)

Field File #

*9A-4373*

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INVENTORY COPY (optional)

Date

12/18/87

Title and Character of Case

[REDACTED]  
LLOYD BENJAMIN, U. S. SENATOR - VICTIM  
EXTORTION  
OO: DL

Date Property Acquired

12/17/87

Source From Which Property Acquired

[REDACTED] Sen. BENJAMIN's [REDACTED]

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE

To Be Returned

See Serial

Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☒ Yes ☐ No

☐ Yes ☐ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☐ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

2 Letters TO Sen. BENJAMIN from [REDACTED] and one letter re [REDACTED]  
from SLD RIVER ARMY DEPOT

For Valuable and/or Narcotics Evidence Only

Evidence Bag Seal # \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Two  
Special Agents  
Verifying and Sealing  
Bag Contents \_\_\_\_\_

SEMIANNUAL INVENTORY CERTIFICATION TO JUSTIFY RETENTION OF PROPERTY (Initial and Date)

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[REDACTED]  
LLOYD BENTSEN, U. S. SENATOR - VICTIM  
EXTORTION  
OO: DL

Date Property Acquired

12/17/87

Source From Which Property Acquired

[REDACTED] SEN. BENTSEN'S [REDACTED]

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

DALLAS BULKY ROOM

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE

To Be Returned

See Serial

Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☒ Yes ☐ No

☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

2 LETTERS TO SEN. BENTSEN FROM [REDACTED]

For Valuable and/or Narcotics Evidence Only

Evidence Bag Seal # \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Two  
Special Agents  
Verifying and Sealing  
Bag Contents \_\_\_\_\_

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Accepted Custody	Date	Time	By	Custody	Date	Time
Signature						
Reason <i>Evidence</i>	<i>12/17/87</i>	<i>4:50 PM</i>	<i>To Bureau</i>		<i>12/18/87</i>	<i>2:30 PM</i>
Signature	<i>12/18/87</i>	<i>2:30 PM</i>			<i>12/27/88</i>	<i>5:55 PM</i>
Reason <i>Bulky</i>			<i>to FBIHQ-Lab</i>			
Signature	<i>6/8/88</i>	<i>4:40 PM</i>			<i>6/30/89</i>	<i>1:30 PM</i>
Reason <i>bulky</i>			<i>90 1A Per SA</i>			
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Remarks

*Sent to FBIHQ-Lab see airtel dated 12-24-87, package copy received 1-26-88, by registry #R434917883 from P-27-88*  
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From FBI  
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300 E 8th  
(Address of Contributor)  
Austin, Texas  
(City and State)  
By \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Special Agent)

To Be Returned ☐ Yes ☒ No      Receipt Given ☐ Yes ☒ No

Grand Jury Material - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules  
of Criminal Procedure ☐ Yes ☒ No

Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lloyd Bentsen U.S. Senator - Victim;  
Extortion  
OO: DL

Reference: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Communication Enclosing Material)

Description: ☐ Original notes re interview of

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[redacted]

[redacted]

Loyd Benson

[redacted]

wouldn't deduce / with subject's time & circumstances

Date

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Title and Character of Case

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LLOYD BENTSEN, U. S. SENATOR - VICTIM  
EXTORTION  
OO: DL

Date Property Acquired

12/17/87

Source From Which Property Acquired

SEN. BENTSEN'S

Location of Property or Bulky Exhibit

DALLAS BULKY ROOM

Reason for Retention of Property and Efforts Made to Dispose of Same

EVIDENCE

To Be Returned

☒ Yes ☐ No

See Serial

Agent Submitting Property or Exhibit

Agent Assigned Case

☐ Yes ☒ No Grand Jury Property - Disseminate Only Pursuant to Rule 6(e), Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

☐ Yes ☒ No Property to be Forfeited to the Government

Description of Property or Exhibit

2 LETTERS TO SEN. BENTSEN FROM

*Transferred to 1A (4)  
Per SA  
See 9A-4373-1A (4)  
J.L.B.  
6-30-89*

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Signature of Two  
Special Agents  
Verifying and Sealing  
Bag Contents

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# Memorandum



To : SAC, DALLAS

Date 12/17/87

From : IA

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Subject :

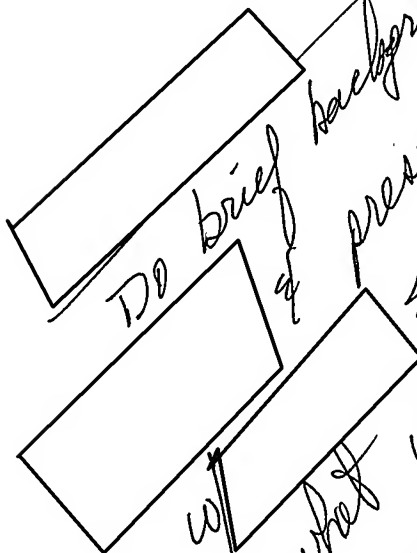
~~THREATS TO CONGRESSMAN~~  
LLOYD BENTSEN, *U.S. SENATOR - Victim;*  
*extortion*  
*OO: Dallas*

On 12/17/87, [redacted]  
Congressman LOYD BENTSEN's Dallas Office, advised her office has received some letters from an individual, captioned above, regarding a complaint he has with Red River Army Depot and VA, and in his last letter, he implied some threats to government officials and she wished to give these letters to the FBI.

On same date, writer picked up letters from [redacted] for Supv. [redacted] retained copies of the letters.

Dallas indices negative re captioned individual.

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☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

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☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
☐ UNCLAS

Date 2/11/88

TO: SAC, DALLAS (9A-4373)

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FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (9A-2280) (P)

[REDACTED]  
 LLOYD BENTSEN,  
 United States Senator-VICTIM  
 EXTORTION  
 OO: DALLAS

Re Dallas airtel to Bureau dated 12/24/87.

On 2/4/88, [REDACTED] to  
 LLOYD BENTSEN, 961 Federal Building, 300 E. 8th St.,  
 Austin, Texas, advised that Senator LLOYD BENTSEN's  
 Austin office has no record of any communication with  
 the captioned subject. [REDACTED] reviewed the letter written  
 by the captioned subject and stated that such a complaint  
 regarding the Veterans Administration would be forwarded  
 to their Dallas office. [REDACTED] stated that most likely  
 the letter was initially reviewed by [REDACTED] and  
 then forwarded to their Dallas office for further  
 handling. [REDACTED] stated that he has since replaced  
 [REDACTED] as [REDACTED] to LLOYD BENTSEN.

On 2/4/88, [REDACTED] AUSA, WDT, stated  
 that before he could give a prosecutive opinion regarding  
 the captioned subject that he would like additional  
 information. [REDACTED] requested that the subject be  
 interviewed and also information regarding his criminal  
 history be obtained. Checks of TCIC indicate the  
 captioned subject was arrested on [REDACTED] by the [REDACTED]

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Approved: [REDACTED]

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Per [REDACTED]

*Be prudent in time spent on this - there is no way this is going to be prosecuted just trying to cover his butt*

SA 9A-2280

[redacted] Subject was placed  
on [redacted]

[redacted] TCIC lists subject's Texas drivers license as [redacted]  
which come back to [redacted] white female,  
DOB [redacted]. The rest of the identifying information is  
identical to that as set forth in Dallas airtel to Bureau  
dated 12/24/87.

Investigation is being continued by San Antonio.

LEADS

DALLAS

AT TYLER, TEXAS

1. Develop background information on the subject.
2. Interview the subject regarding his letters  
written to Senator LLOYD BENTSEN.

**REPORT  
of the****FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535**

To: SAC, Dallas (9A-4373)

February 24, 1988

FBI FILE NO. 9-70698

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LAB. NO. 80201015 D SQ

Re:   
LLOYD BENTSEN, U. S. SENATOR -  
VICTIM;  
EXTORTION

OO: Dallas

Examination requested by: Addressee

Reference: Communication dated December 24, 1987

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Specimens received January 29, 1988

## Specimens:

- Q1 Letter stamp-dated 18 AUG 1987 bearing hand printing beginning "Dear Senator I am writing..."
- Q2 Second page of letter bearing hand printing beginning "release under FOIA..."
- Q3 Envelope postmarked "TEXARKANA, AR-TX 755 9 DEC 1987" addressed to "Honorable Lloyd Bentsen..."
- Q4 Letter stamp dated "16 DEC 1987" and "DEC 11 1987" bearing hand printing beginning "Dear Senator Bentsen, I have written..."

## Result of examination:

Specimens Q1 through Q4 were not identified in the Anonymous Letter File. Photographs of portions of these specimens are being added to the file for future reference.

Writing characteristics noted in common in the questioned writing on specimens Q1 through Q4 very strongly

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Date 5/12/88

TO: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (9A-2280)

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FROM: SAC, DALLAS (9A-4373) (P)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

LLOYD BENTSEN,  
 UNITED STATES SENATOR -  
 VICTIM;  
 EXTORTION  
 OO: DALLAS

Re San Antonio airtel to Dallas dated 2/11/88.

On May 10, 1988, [REDACTED] age approximately [REDACTED] who resides at [REDACTED] Texas, telephone [REDACTED] was contacted in order to locate [REDACTED]. She advised that on [REDACTED] admitted to the VETERANS ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL in Shreveport, Louisiana, for ten days of study and observation. He is suffering from some type of stress syndrome and has been taking medication in order to remain calm.

[REDACTED] was advised of the Bureau's interest in [REDACTED] and she commented that the vulgar and threatening letter was "his style." The subject does not get along with people and he has not held the same job for more than one year at a time. [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED] informed her approximately six months ago that he was placed on total disability by the VETERANS ADMINISTRATION because of his nervous condition.

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 ③ - Dallas  
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Texarkana lead

[REDACTED]

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[redacted] stated [redacted] moved back to [redacted]. He was recently divorced, is not currently employed, and is now residing on [redacted] Texas. Once a week, he goes to group therapy. Subject's current problems have been brought on by the fact that he can no longer sleep at night. He [redacted] the local Texarkana Vietnam Veterans group. [redacted] stated that she does not know if [redacted] has any weapons or if he is dangerous. Again, she stated [redacted] has his good days and bad days and she will contact the FBI during one of his good days. [redacted] closed the interview by stating that [redacted]

LEAD:

DALLAS DIVISION

AT [redacted] TEXAS. Will interview subject [redacted] upon his release from the VETERANS ADMINISTRATION HOSPITAL.



# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Washington, D. C. 20537

## REPORT

of the

### LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

YOUR FILE NO. 9A-4373 (P)  
FBI FILE NO.  
LATENT CASE NO. C-71839

6/2/88

TO: SAC, Dallas

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RE:

[REDACTED]  
LLOYD BENTSEN, U. S. SENATOR - VICTIM;  
EXTORTION

REFERENCE: Airtel 12/24/87  
EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY: Dallas  
SPECIMENS: Two-page letter, Q1 and Q2  
Envelope, Q3  
Letter, Q4

Fifteen latent fingerprints and one latent palm print of value were developed on the specimens.

Fourteen latent fingerprints, developed on three of the specimens, have been identified as fingerprints of [REDACTED] FBI [REDACTED] as follows:

One on Q1, the first page of a two-page letter, stamp-dated "18 AUG 1987," beginning "Dear Senator I am writing..."  
Eight on Q3, an envelope postmarked in part "TEXARKANA, AR-TX....," addressed to "Honorable Lloyd Bentsen..."

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Enc. (4)

2 - San Antonio

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SAC, Dallas

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Five on Q4, a letter stamp-dated  
"16 DEC 1987" and "DEC 11 1987,"  
beginning "Dear Senator Bentsen,  
I have written..."

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[redacted] The remaining latent fingerprint is not a fingerprint of  
No palm prints are contained in the Identification Division  
files for [redacted] for comparison with the latent palm print.

In the event latent print testimony is desired in the trial of  
this case, a current set of inked fingerprints of [redacted] recorded in  
connection with this matter, should be submitted to the LFPS with the  
appropriate correspondence.

The specimens are enclosed.

The result of the laboratory examination is the subject of a  
separate report.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 7/26/88

[redacted] white male, age [redacted] residing at [redacted] Texas, was contacted at his residence regarding a threatening letter that he wrote to Senator LLOYD BENTSEN, Austin, Texas, in December, 1987. Prior to his interview, [redacted] was shown a copy of this letter and was then advised of his rights. [redacted] read and signed the Advice of Rights form and thereafter he proceeded to furnish the following information:

[redacted] advised that he enlisted in the UNITED STATES ARMY on [redacted] and that from [redacted] until [redacted] he served in Vietnam. He received the purple heart among his medals and he was honorably discharged with the rank of [redacted] on [redacted]. [redacted] advised that for some years he has experienced difficulty in holding a job and that he is convinced that he now suffers from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). [redacted] stated he is currently drawing disability from the SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (SSA) in the form of SSI payments. Also, the VETERAN'S ADMINISTRATION (VA) is currently reviewing his medical report in order to determine if the VA will grant him disability benefits as a result of his PTSD. [redacted] stated that he has been receiving treatment at the VA HOSPITAL in Shreveport, Louisiana, and has been diagnosed as having PTSD.

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[redacted] then reviewed a copy of his letter that he wrote in December, 1987, to Senator LLOYD BENTSEN. [redacted] advised that he did write this letter because he was frustrated with the VA-Government, because his paperwork and records which he submitted on his PTSD compensation claim had been lost by Government officials. [redacted] advised that he is embarrassed and that he feels foolish because of his choice of words and the way he expressed his frustration to Senator BENTSEN. [redacted] recalls that he had previously attended on eof his VA Group Therapy meetings and was upset and filled with anxiety when he wrote this letter. Also, [redacted] advised that he recalls several Vietnam Veterans at this meeting who did express hatred and anger against our Government officials because of their inaction, delays, or refusal to consider their disability claims. [redacted] advised that in his December, 1987, letter he was

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by SA [redacted] *[signature]* Date dictated 7/23/88

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just relating what was talked about at this Group Therapy meeting. \_\_\_\_\_ emphasized that these comments were just talk and that in no way did he ever intend for his letter to sound threatening to Senator BENTSEN or any other official. \_\_\_\_\_ stated he is very sorry that his letter was misinterpreted and that he certainly never had any intention of harming anyone. \_\_\_\_\_ stated that he does not think he has written any similar type letters and he will certainly not write this type of letter again. \_\_\_\_\_ added that he is able to understand why his letter is considered offensive and threatening and again, he is sorry that his letter has caused the concern that it has. \_\_\_\_\_ pointed out that he is now receiving medical treatment for PTSD and that he is now on medication for this problem. Again, he advised he is sorry and he will not write anymore threatening letters to Government officials.

\_\_\_\_\_ provided the following descriptive information concerning himself:

Name	_____
Sex	Male
Race	White
Nationality	American
Date of birth	_____
Place of birth	_____
Height	5'8" tall
Weight	220 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Social Security Number	_____
Education	Graduated from _____ SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, _____, Texas, _____
Current employment	None
Marital Status	_____
Children	_____

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Father

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Mother

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Brother

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

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☐ Facsimile  
☒ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
☐ UNCLAS

Date 7/29/88

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
 FROM: SAC, DALLAS (9A-4373) (P)  
 SUBJECT: CHANGED INTEROFFICE  
 [REDACTED]  
 LLOYD BENTSEN,  
 UNITED STATES SENATOR - VICTIM;  
 EXTORTION  
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Title marked "Changed Interoffice" in order to include subject's middle name of [REDACTED]

Re Dallas airtel to San Antonio dated May 12, 1988.

Enclosed are two copies of an FD-302 recording the interview with subject [REDACTED] on June 17, 1988, at [REDACTED] Texas.

On June 17, 1988, [REDACTED] a white male, age [REDACTED] unemployed, and residing at [REDACTED] Texas, was interviewed. [REDACTED] admitted writing the December, 1987, threatening letter to Senator BENTSEN. [REDACTED] and other Vietnam veterans were upset with the VETERAN'S ADMINISTRATION (VA) and he included in his letter comments that he heard at one of his Veteran's group therapy meetings. [REDACTED] was both apologetic and embarrassed about this letter. He did not intend for this letter to sound threatening and he is sorry for the trouble it has caused. [REDACTED] advised he has not

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

300 Landmark Center  
1801 North Lamar Street  
Dallas, Texas 75202  
August 1, 1988

[Redacted]  
Agent in Charge  
United States Secret Service  
1100 Commerce Street, Room 8E3  
Dallas, Texas 75242

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RE: [Redacted]  
THREAT AGAINST A VICE  
PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE  
(UNITED STATES SENATOR LLOYD BENTSEN)

Dear Sir:

Enclosed communications relate to the information received by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Dallas, concerning a threat against a vice presidential candidate.

The threat rendered by the above named individual was made prior to Senator Bentsen being named a vice presidential candidate. The threat is a technical violation of the "extortion" statute, in that the threat was transmitted by means of U. S. Mail/Interstate Communication.

The matter is being referred to your office, but the FBI will present the "extortion" violation to the United States Attorney for a prosecutive opinion.

Sincerely yours,

Bobby R. Gillham  
Special Agent in Charge

Bv: [Signature]  
[Redacted]

Supervisory Special Agent

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No. 9A-4373

300 Landmark Center  
1801 North Lamar Street  
Dallas, Texas 75202  
August 10, 1988

Honorable ROBERT WORTHAM  
United States Attorney  
Eastern District of Texas  
One Grand Center  
Sherman, Texas 75090

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Attention: AUSA [redacted]

Re: [redacted]

EXTORTION

Dear Sir:

On December 17, 1987, this office received two letters from [redacted] United States Senator LLOYD BENTSEN's Dallas Office. These letters were signed by [redacted] regarding a complaint he had with RED RIVER ARMY DEPOT and the VETERANS ADMINISTRATION. He addressed the letters to Senator BENTSEN and implied threats against government officials.

On June 17, 1988, [redacted] was interviewed and admitted to writing the December, 1987 threatening letter to Senator BENTSEN. [redacted] and other Vietnam Veterans were upset with the VETERANS ADMINISTRATION (VA) and he included in his letter comments that he heard at one of his veterans' group therapy meetings. [redacted] was both apologetic and embarrassed about the letter. He did not intend for this letter to sound threatening. [redacted] advised he has not written similar letters and he certainly did not have any intention of harming Senator BENTSEN or any other government officials. [redacted] is now receiving medication for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

The Dallas Office of the UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE is being made aware of [redacted] and his activities. In view of the foregoing and per authority AUSA [redacted] the Dallas Office of the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION is conducting no further investigation referenced this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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BOBBY R. GILLHAM  
Special Agent in Charge

By: [initials]

[redacted]  
Supervisory Special Agent

2-Addressee

1-Dallas

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## FBI CASE STATUS FORM

Date: 8/10/88

To: Honorable ROBERT WORTHAM, EDT, Tyler, Texas  
(Name and Address of USA)

From: [Redacted] DALLAS DIVISION  
(Name of Official in Charge and Field Division) [Redacted]  
(Signature of Official in Charge)

RE: [Redacted]  
(Name of Subject) [Redacted] Age [Redacted] Sex Male

You are hereby advised of action authorized by AUSA [Redacted]  
(Name of USA or AUSA)

on information submitted by Special Agent [Redacted] on 8/1/88  
(Name) (Date)

(Check One)

- ☐ Request further investigation
- ☒ Immediate declination
- ☐ Filing of complaint
- ☐ Presentation to Federal Grand Jury
- ☐ Filing of information
- ☐ Other

For violation of Title 18, USC, Section(s) 875(C)

## Synopsis of case:

On December 17, 1987, US Senator LLOYD BENTSEN's office received two letters from [Redacted]. These letters were addressed to Senator BENTSEN and made threats to government officials. [Redacted] made the threats because he was upset with the way his complaints had been handled against the RED RIVER ARMY DEPOT and the VETERANS ADMINISTRATION.

On June 17, 1988, [Redacted] was interviewed and

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admitted to writing the letters. He stated that he was upset with the RED RIVER ARMY DEPOT and the VETERANS ADMINISTRATION, but did not intend to threaten anyone. [ ] apologized for the letters and said he has not written any other letters and will not write any additional letters. [ ] had no intention of harming Senator BENTSEN or any other government officials. He is now receiving medication for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

Per telephone call with AUSA [ ] on August 1, 1988, no further investigation is being conducted by the Dallas Office of the FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

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## TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype  
☐ Facsimile  
☒ AIRTEL

## PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate  
☐ Priority  
☐ Routine

## CLASSIFICATION:

☐ TOP SECRET  
☐ SECRET  
☐ CONFIDENTIAL  
☐ UNCLAS E F T O  
☐ UNCLAS

Date 8/15/88

TO: SAC, DALLAS (9A-4373)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (9A-2280) (RUC)

[REDACTED]  
 LLOYD BENSON,  
 UNITED STATES SENATOR-VICTIM;  
 EXTORTION  
 OO: DALLAS

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Re Dallas airtel to Director dated 7/29/88.

In Dallas airtel to Director dated 12/24/87 the Dallas Division requested that a prosecutive opinion be obtained from a United States Attorney in the Western District of Texas regarding the captioned subject.

On 2/4/88, [REDACTED] Assistant United State's Attorney, Western District of Texas, was advised of the matter and he requested that the subject be interviewed before he gives a prosecutive opinion. On 8/15/88, [REDACTED] was provided with the results of the subject interview and [REDACTED] stated that he declined prosecution.

Since all leads and logical investigation has been conducted this case is being placed in a RUC status.

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# Memorandum



To : SAC, /DALLAS (9A-4373)

Date 9/23/89

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From : SAC, SAN ANTONIO (9A-2280)  
MBW/pmm

Subject

[Redacted]  
LOYD BENTSEN, US SENATOR-Victim;  
(Title)

☐ RUC

☒ File Destruction Program

Enclosed are 1 items.

These items are forwarded your office since:

☐ All logical investigation completed in this Division

☒ You were OO at the time our case was RUC'd.

Enclosures are described as follows:

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